

ANS Correspondence

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[Waldheim, Saxony]

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Waldheim - Saxony - Germany

4 August 1921.

The President of the
Numismatic Society

New York City

Dear Sir

For your address I am indebted to the National
Geographic Society, Washington.

I beg you most respectfully to assist me
to get in touch with a reliable person in
New York who would sell for me german notes
of war money of the various towns in Germany.
I have about 150 different Rinds and wish to
dispose of same to collectors and museums.

It is perhaps possible that somebody in your
Society would undertake this transaction with
me. I enclose a sample set of Naumburg
an der Saale 12 pieces called the Hussiten series.
The price for each note is cents 50.- (fifty) If you wish
to purchase same please remit me the equivalent
in

by a dollar cheque on a Berlin Bank.

Thanking you very much for your kind assistance
I remain yours very sincerely.

Alfred Heinicke, Colonel,
member of the National Geog. Society
Washington.

Please address letter simply

M^r. Alfred Heinicke

Waldheim - Saxony - Germany

N^o 2.

Waltheim, Saxony, Germany 8 Aug. 1921.

The President of the
Numismatic Society

Broadway - New York

Dear Sir,

I confirm my letter Aug 4. which I hope has reached you. In confirmation of same I beg to ask if you have an interest in sets of the new Porcelain money (Saxony - made in Meissen). The whole set consists of 7 pieces: mark 20, 10, 5, 2, 1 and Pfennig 50, 20.

I have several new ones on hand and could offer them to collectors at \$40. - a set. Used ones may be had somewhat cheaper but it is advisable to buy new sets.

Further I enclose two sets of war money notes, of the town Glauchau - Saxony both are very artistic and refer to historical events of this town.

N^o 1 Set is called the Buttermilch - Krieg
(buttermilk - war).

N^o 2 Set is called the Bierkrieg (beerwar).

Price of each set \$3 (dollar six for both) Yrs

Case you want more I leave a few left. If you
keep the two enclosed ones please remit equivalent
as asked in my letter N^o 1 (by Draft dollars or Gold)

Anything else you should want please command
me. I have 150 different kinds of these notes
collected and wish to dispose of the duplicates.

I shall look forward to your answer and
remain
Yours very truly

Alfred Heinicke, Colonel.

Please address letter simply:

M^r Alfred Heinicke

Waltheim - Saxony - Germany

B. Take strong and stout envelopes for your
letters.

W^o 3.

Waltheim - Saxony - Germany

17 August 1921.

The President of the
Numismatic Society

Broadway
New York City

Dear Sir

I confirm my letter of 4 August, which I hope has reached you safely with its contents. I am looking forward to your answer regarding the set of the new Porcelain Money.

In continuation I am enclosing the following sets of new-notes to day:

3 pieces of the town Margrabowa (very rare)
10, 25 and 50 Pfennig.

2 pieces of the town Kitzingen (rare)
25 and 50 Pfennig.

1 Piece of the town Hoexler (very rare)
25 Pfennig.

5 Pieces of the town Freiberg - Saxony
5 and 10 Pfennig.

1 Piece of the town Bautzen (10 Pfennig)

1 Piece of the town Pilschkeberg (50 Pfennig).

Total

13 pieces. Price of each piece costs 50 (fifty).

In case you keep them or dispose of them
for me kindly remit equivalent as mentioned in
my letters N^o 1 and N^o 2. Further sets will follow.

Thanking you very much for your assistance and
looking forward to your answer

I am yours very truly

Alfred Heinicke, Lieut. Col.
member N. G. Society - Washington

Please address letters simply:

Mr. Alfred Heinicke

Waltheim / Saxony / Germany

Waltheim / Saxony / Germany
26 August 1921

The President of the
Numismatic Society

(New York City)

Dear Sir,

I confirm my letter N^o 3 dated 17 August and hope it has reached you. I am looking forward to your answers to my letters 4, 8 and 17 August.

I should be very thankful and pleased indeed, if you could assist me in disposing of my 150 sets of Duplicatas of war paper notes. There are no doubt many people in the States who would be glad to have a collection of these rare notes and the set of porcelain money.

To day I am enclosing a further set 4 pieces called: The Pathfinder Set: 25, 50, 100, 200 Pfennig. The set is becoming rare. Price for it as usual 50 cents per note, \$2 the Set of 4 pieces. In case you

Keep it or you could dispose of it kindly
forward me the money as asked in my
former letters.

Thanking you very much for all pains
taken, I am yours very sincerely

Alfred Heinicke, Colonel

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M^r Alfred Heinicke

Waldheim / Saxony / Germany

deal with me. I wait your proposals,
please Command me.

I have 150 sets of paper money and 10
sets of porcelain coins for sale at reasonable
offers from your side.

Yours very truly
Alfred Heintzke

Lieut Colonel.

Member of the National Geol. Society.

Please address letters simply:

Alfred Heintzke

Wawherin / Saxony

Germany

Waltham Saxony Germany

6 Septemb. 1921.

N^o 5

The President of the
Numismatic Society

New York - Broadway

Dear Sir, I confirm my letter N^o 4 of 26th August
which I hope has reached you with the 4 pieces
of under Pfaffminder "Votgeld".

To day I enclose a further set of the same "Mem-
berung on the new Teller" consisting of 12 pieces and
called the Hussiten Series.

The price has risen and each note costs 60 cents,
the set \$ 7.20 cents

If you keep it or sell it please remit equivalent
either in Dollar notes or by cheque on Berlin as asked
in my former letters.

I may mention that collectors all over the globe are
very keen on these new money notes and a large amount
has been the result.

Now, I ask a favour, could you send me a reliable
person buying postage stamps I have a fine collection
of old German stamps and I will send it to you
on receipt of an appropriate answer.

Very truly yours -

and the following before you. I have in front a
well known printer, his printer is a very excellent one
always bright, his printer will like to see over to
the States some of his work for sale, and you will
see a publishing firm, which will be able to do it.
Many, many thanks for my list.

Looking forward to my return to the States (4, 8,
17, 20 of August to 20, 5 in years)

Very sincerely

Edgar H. Smith, Editor

Let us address please:

~~Mr. H. H. Smith~~

~~Washington, D.C., D.C.~~

September 8th, 1921

Mr. Alfred Heinicke
Walsheim
Saxony, Germany

Dear Sir:

I have been requested by the President to answer your several letters of August, and I am returning herewith the paper money which you have sent over.

We are not especially interested in this paper money, and our special correspondents send us our various needs at the prices these sell for in Germany billed to us in marks, and which are far below your prices.

As far as we know, other collectors in this country who are interested in German coins, medals and paper money have their own agents or correspondents in Germany, and they can buy just as cheaply as a German.

As for the porcelain money, why should anyone in this country pay \$40.00 a set when German dealers are offering these in printed circulars which they are sending to everyone in this country for 80 marks a set?

I am writing you at this length simply to show you that we collectors over here can buy much more cheaply than at the price at which you are offering your pieces.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

Encls.

Washington - D.C. - September
29 Sept. 1941.

Mr. Howland Wood

Secretary of the Manuscript Society

Brooklyn

New York City

Dear Sir,

You letter of Sept 8 sent. Many thanks
for it. Most interesting was it for me,
especially pleased I was with your lengthy
explanations. Therefore I will answer it
the same way.

About the paper money, you are quite right. The
actual value has risen - since this money
has been put out of circulation by order of
the government with the 30th of this month - to
5 and 10 times its original value. Collectors
are paying 20 times the value and amount
of 1 note (full ones). My prices therefore - having
the value a sixfold at side - are therefore
not so high! The possible reason of course
is my difference that they will be in time

compensated and when you will be reimbursed
at the prices paid for the money, the resulting
value will be equal with the first proposition.

I still receive the 37 notes which I had picked
up till it is urgent, there are still 10 pieces
with 2 p (4 saved on the 26 and 12 on the 6 Sept).
If you are not able to keep them I would feel
freely obliged for its return.

As to the problem money I am sorry to say
that this has never been offered here for 4:50.-
If I could have done so, they are thousands. The
flocking has, as far I know and I am well-
informed, never sold below 400 marks (250 dollars,
a bit). I would be greatly obliged if you would
send me one of these transactions for I would
be in your debt.

The price at present are 500 to 400 marks and
up slightly, the 20 latter marks and is already
from up to 4:8500.- It is no more made the
trading markets being prohibited by the government.

For this. The door for me will open to

October 1st, 1921

Mr. Alfred Heinicke
Waldheim
Germany, Germany

Dear Sir:

The President of the Society desires me
to return the enclosed to you and to state that
he is not interested.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

Curator

HW/s
Encs.

October 21st, 1941

Mr. Alfred Weinicke

1000 1/2 St. N. W.

Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of September 29th at hand, and I note what you say.

I will admit that prices for some of the paper money and bonds are high in Germany, but these are not the only things that are high in Germany. For them in marks and not in dollars.

The same can be said for the porcelain money. Some sets come over the other way, from where I do not know, at 350 marks. These cost, therefore, less than \$5.00. They should be at \$1.00 or \$2.00.

I have handed your letter to Mr. A. J. Frey and I think he has written you. He collects the money and is not collecting paper money. He, however, says for everything in marks. I trust you will appreciate this difference between marks and dollars.

Yours truly,

Hurston

HJ/E

Wahlheim - Saxony - Germany

8 march 1922.

Mr. Horace Wood

Curator of the American Numismatic Society

New York.

Dear Mr. Wood,

I have still to thank you for your kind letter
dated October 21. 1921. I am very much obliged
for your explanations.

The reason I am writing again to you is to
find a philanthropist, who would assist me
finding connections in the States.

Why? You will ask! Let me explain in short!

Through this terrible useless war I lost my
fortune in business in Russia. I was 25 years
out in the East had saved a little fortune (20000 £)
and wanted to live (I returned shortly before the outbreak
of the war) in my old age (62) quietly from the
interest of my savings at home. The war destroyed
all my hopes. My savings invested in a German
concern in Russia were also confiscated by the
British Authorities and now I am practically a

pen man if I do not get a compensation by
the British Foreign Office in London.

The difficulties under which we aged pensioners are
labouring at present you cannot imagine. The
dearness of everything is horrible and day by
day prices are going up. The small pension I
get is not sufficient to make both ends meet and
so I am trying hard to earn besides my
regular work - I am literary engaged writing ill.
articles on the Near East - some extra money by
selling:

- 1) interesting Photos of Persia of which I have
collected great many (3000) during my many years
in Persia. (All self taken)
- 2) Great money bills (German war paper notes) and
porcelain money sets
- 3) stamps, Germans especially of which a
great variety I have on hand.
- 4) good German paintings - I have a friend who
is a first class artist and wants to sell his
pictures over there. He has very fine pieces
painted and I could send them over.

I should now like very much to find a man
I could fully trust in fact a real philanthropist -
who would cooperate with me. I would send him
the things taken out over in the States and over
and built up in time a connexion of mutual
benefit.

That is my plan and wish - which I put before
you and I would be thankful indeed if you
could assist me finding such a person.

No doubt, you being Curator of such a big
concern you have many friends and acquaint-
ances who collect and would perhaps be
glad to get in touch with a trustworthy man
over here.

Most perfect Bank References are at my
disposal. I name two at the bottom of this
letter.

I would consider it an act of great american
courtesy receiving an early answer

Yours very truly
Alfred Heinicke
(Lieut Colonel)
p. t.

My Bank References:

- 1, Allgemeine Deutsche Credit-Anstalt - Waltheim
- 2, Dresdner Bank - Waltheim

Please address letters simply:

M^r: Alfred Reinicke

Waltheim / Saxony
Germany

P.S. With the Allgemeine Deutsche Credit Anstalt - Waltheim I am in business connexion and its manager, a friend of mine, would no doubt tell you all about me.

F.O.

June 6th, 1922

Mr. Alfred Mehnicks
Waldheim
Saxony, Germany

Dear Sir:

Mr. Wood is in hospital, and in reply to your letter of March 8th, desires me to inform you that he approached several people in regard to the Persian photographs but could interest no one.

The paper and porcelain money has been sent to this country in such quantities that there is now but little demand for it. Postage stamps have been sent over in the regular stamp channels, so that it is now a wholly commercial proposition between stamp dealers. For the past year, paintings and other art objects have sold very poorly; the markets seem to be glutted with art objects.

As for philanthropists, there are no such people in this country today as all such men are putting from one-half to three-quarters of their income in taxes.

Regretting that I am unable to send you a more encouraging report, I am

Yours truly,

Publication Department